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## BIRTHS.

On 6th October, at "Inn Mor," Peak Road, the wife of JOHN A. JONES, of a daughter. (2290)  
On 20th September, at Shanghai, the wife of F. S. ANTHONY, of a son.

## DEATHS.

On 1st September, at Yochou, Hunan, WILLIAM HILL KELLY, the thirteen-months-old son of Dr. and Mrs. WILLIAM KELLY.

On 24th September, at Kuling, MARION JOAN, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. EVERARD FRASER, Hankow, aged 3 years.

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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, OCTOBER 7TH, 1905.

The complete abandonment of the clause in the convention of 1901 which provided for the establishment at Shanghai of a local River Conservancy Board, wherein all interests, native as well as foreign, were amply provided for, cannot be looked upon otherwise than as a complete victory for the reactionary party. Under cover of restoring China's territorial rights in an affair where they were never questioned, it has gone back to the old system of seeking to control everything from Peking, which in the past has proved so disastrous to all. Of course the Foreign Inspectorate has been thrown in, and the work is nominally to be under the control of the COMMISSIONER in charge at Shanghai; but the COMMISSIONER at Shanghai is but a figure-head under the command in every detail of the INSPECTOR GENERAL, and has neither say nor responsibility, but has in every matter outside the daily routine of his office to refer to the INSPECTOR GENERAL. Now, it is acknowledged that in the control of an office which ramifies through the whole of China, and in which perfect uniformity of working throughout is an essential feature, such a check is necessary; but it becomes quite a different thing when the object to be gained is the control of a river. Although

river hydraulics are a thing capable of present. The new Convention may be a matter in itself of secondary consideration; but it is an unmistakable symptom of evils abroad both for China herself, and for those concerned in the foreign trade of the Empire.

The plague in India shows signs of decreasing.

Peking is to have a corps of mounted police like Tokyo.

Rear-Admiral Dicken and Mrs. Dicken leave to-day for Home by the *Nubia*.

Orders regarding the commencement of the Kuk River Railway will be issued very shortly.

The Volunteers' camp at Stonecutters Island will be pitched on the 11th inst., and struck on the 30th.

In Chinese papers it is reported that the new Yellow River bridge is unsafe for traffic and traffic cannot be run over it at present.

The Times announces that the Hamburg America Line is about to put three steamers on the Hongkong-Vladivostok run.

Two companies of the H.K.S.B.R.G.A. pitch camp on Monday beyond the second milestone on the Frontier Road, Beacon Hill, for annual company course.

To-day is the festival of Chung Yang, when in accordance with custom, the Chinese will make a pilgrimage to the Peak in large numbers.

An Indian hut on the Kleinfontein estate on the East Rand has been attacked by a party of Chinese, who hacked the inmates with knives, dismembering one, and injuring three others. Twenty Chinese have been arrested.

Suggestions have been made that money for the construction of railways in Anhui and Kiangsi might be raised by means of lotteries, but a Censor has pointed out that winning numbers might fall into the hands of foreigners and the idea is not likely to be carried out.

Five British cruisers and six destroyers are expected to visit Yokohama about the middle of this month. Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard Noel will be present with his flagship, H.M.S. *Diadem*. The Japanese fleet will accord a welcome, and there will be a banquet at the Tokyo palace.

The Peking correspondent of the N.C. Daily News says:—Although it is being opposed by a French promoter, Mr. Chen Pao-chien, one of the Foochow gentry, is securing the backing of influential officials at Peking for a railway between Foochow and Amoy, about 600 Chinese li. The expense is estimated at £18,000,000 and it is proposed to raise the money among the Chinese.

His Majesty the Tsar, addressing General Liniievitch, was guilty of a contradiction in terms in the following passage: "The self-sacrificing army, so dear to me, withstood the assault of the numerically superior enemy in Manchuria step by step during 19 months, obstinately repulsing their advance." The phrase "step by step" discounts the words "without" and "repulsing."

At the Union Church, Shanghai, on Sept. 30th the wedding took place of Miss Debora van den Berg to Mr. Herman Hendriks Bodenham, one of Shanghai's prominent merchants. Miss Maud Cox acted as bridesmaid and the Misses Stewart as flower girls, while in the absence of Mr. E. C. Alexander, through an unfortunate accident, Mr. A. Arts duly fulfilled the duties of best man. After the ceremony a reception was held at the house of Mr. E. C. Alexander, where many guests assembled to offer congratulations to the happy couple, and the healths of bride and bridegroom, bridesmaids, and flower girls were proposed and heartily drunk.

Mr. Basse, of Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai's foreign staff, was received in audience by the Emperor and Empress-Dowager on Sept. 16th, having been summoned to Peking for that purpose. This is stated to be the first interview granted to a European in Chinese employment with the exception of Sir Robert Hart. In this connection it is said that there is a prospect in the near future of the steel works, also the gun factory at the Kiangnan Arsenal, being reorganized under the direction of Kiangnan Dock officials. The intention, the N.C. Daily News understands, is to have experts in each branch brought from Great Britain.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. A. G. Fitton, D.S.O., and Officers, the Band of the Second Battalion "The Queen's Own" (Royal West Kent Regiment) will play the following programme of music during dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, this evening:—  
March..... "Arc Aplomb"..... Vollstedt  
Overture..... "Rosamundo"..... Schubert  
Value..... "Jungherren Tanze"..... Guign  
Piccolo Solo..... "The Deep Blue Sea"..... Brewer  
Masque from..... "As You Like It"..... German  
Selection of..... "English Airs"..... F. Godfrey  
Miri..... "Hors D'Œuvres—Anchovy—Caviapes  
Soup—Consomme—Colbert—Fish—Boiled Fish  
Sauces Hollandise, Entrees—Pigeon Farcie and  
Macedoine, Lamb Cutlets à la Westmorland  
Patties à la Toulouse, Curry—Medras Curry  
Joints—Roast Australian Beef, Roast Capon and  
Celeri Sauce, Boiled York Ham and Champagne  
Sauces, Cold Corned Ox Tongue and Asparagus  
Salad, Sweets—Honey Pudding, Strawberry  
Ice Cream and Sand Cake, Peach Tart, Tippy  
Cake, Biscuit—Coffee—Fruit.

The Superior of the Italian Convent wishes to express her most grateful thanks to His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan for having honoured, with his presence and kind patronage, the Special Sale held at the Convent last month; as well as to all the benevolent ladies and friends of the institution who so kindly helped her. She has much pleasure in announcing that, owing to their kind support, it has been more successful than the previous one.

The American man-of-war at Chefoo were scheduled to leave on Sept. 27. The *Ohio*, *Oregon*, and *Baltimore*, and the flotilla go to Shanghai. The *Wisconsin* goes to Yokohama. The *Ohio* will proceed from Shanghai to Nanking, at which point Admiral Train will board the *General Alava* and continue some distance up the Yangtze River. The *Oregon* and *Baltimore* may go from Shanghai to Amoy. The *Raleigh* was then at Hongkong, and the *Cincinnati* in Japan. The flotilla goes from Shanghai to Manila.

The Russian Admiral Nobogoff is a passenger on board the ss. *Nubia*. The Admiral, who is accompanied by three Russian officers, joined the ship at Kob. He does not associate with his fellow passengers and is very reserved.

He has indicated that he does not intend to return to Russia but will spend some time in France and probably proceed to Amic Ica afterwards. When a *Daily Press* representative went on board yesterday in the hope of interviewing the officer, the reply was returned "I do not wish to see anybody."

The Manila *Cableman* of October 3 reports: A curious communication was received yesterday by the Executive Secretary from the United States Consul General at Calcutta, India, concerning a prisoner who gave his name as J. A. Booth alias Ingleton, who committed suicide apparently while under arrest on the night of the 6th-7th of last month. The reason of his arrest was not mentioned in the communication. The letter of confession found on his person after his death is as follows: Calcutta, September 6, 1905. To whom it may concern: I, John Alfred Victor de Lothiencier Booth, do declare and confess to culpable homicide not amounting to murder in Manila, P.I., of shooting Captain H. Ingleton of the 2nd Minnesota, U.S.A., on the 27th of July, 1899, and was never discovered, Ingleton died almost instantaneously, having shot him through the head in the San Miguel Saloon section. Two days previous we had some trouble over family matters, I having forged his name to a cheque and he threatened to prosecute; to save myself. I went to San Miguel Saloon, saw him sitting at the table. I drew upon him, shot him and in the confusion made my escape two days after. I was given 48 hours notice to leave the P.I. on account of my connection with a telephone committee in Singapore. They had not the slightest suspicion that I was the author of the deed. I left Manila for China, not being quite sure whether the Americans would suspect. I avoided steamers after arriving Shanghai. I came overland to this country. Will you be good enough to forward a copy of this letter on to General Mounty (McArthur) or General Atkin (Olis), who was then the Governor of P. I. at that time and think this would clear up the mystery. I have myself informed Captain Ingleton's relatives on the matter and deeply regret that it should have happened. It was done in a fit of rage on the spur of the moment. I wish the Manila authority to be informed whether there is any one else got into trouble for the crime. May God forgive me.—J. A. Booth. City 5-9-05.

The *Nanfangao* had the following news from Nanking, dated Sept. 25th:—Yesterday afternoon, a special meeting was called to devise measures for boycotting the 40,000 cases of kerosene oil recently shipped to Nanking by the Standard Oil Company. The meeting was held in a spacious hall behind the Confucian Temple, and was largely attended. There were over nine hundred people present. The student body and merchants were well represented, and many eloquent speeches were made, all in favour of enforcing the boycott. One merchant who made a speech in his remarks was hissed off the platform. A native agent of the Standard Oil Company who had managed to dispose of a large quantity of the oil was severely criticised. Toward the end of the meeting, it was proposed to boycott him also, as he owns a large book-store in Nanking.

The *Japan Chronicle* understands from Mr. J. B. Suttor, representative of the Government of New South Wales, that Sir John See is visiting Japan, and should arrive by the E. & A. steamship *Empire* about the 18th October. Sir John See has been a prominent figure in the political and social life of Australia for many years, and enjoys the honour of never having been defeated when offering himself for election. Sir John has been Premier of New South Wales for several years; but recently retired from active politics. Personally he is a man of great decision of character, and is highly esteemed throughout Australia. Sir John See was Premier of the State of New South Wales during the visit of the Japanese Fleet under Admiral Kamimura, and it will be remembered, extended most courteous attention to the visitors. It is not known how long Sir John See intends remaining in Japan; but he will doubtless visit all the places of interest. It is Mr. Suttor's intention to meet the *Empire* down south, and accompany Sir John See and party through Japan.

The *Shépao*, Hongkong correspondent, sent the following to that paper:—A friend who has arrived from the Southern Ocean tells me that Chinese labouring at the mines in South Africa are cruelly treated to a pitiable extent and no one takes any notice of these things. Although under contract, the labourers do not receive the wages and food set down in their contracts. They are each day required to chisel out (bore?) a depth of twenty-six inches of rock, and if anyone does not do this he is flogged with a leather whip, while a deduction is also made in his wages. The foreigners at the mines even go so far as to put the very largest of canes on the necks of the Chinese labourers and then make them work on as usual while wearing these canes. Under the circumstances our countrymen there are dying one after another under the burdens put on them. Our Consul, Mr. Liu, takes not the slightest notice of these things. Alas! those who pity our brethren have no one to appeal to for help.

Lord Curzon continues to be the recipient of many messages expressing regret for his departure from India and admiration of the many benefits which His Excellency has conferred on the country. Among those from whom messages have been received are the foremost ruling chiefs, the great landholders in all provinces, the principal commercial bodies, the planting and mining interests, the different educational bodies, and the Mahomedan, Sikh, Jain, and Parsi communities. A host of cordial messages have also been received from European, Hindu, and all other classes.

Lord Hugh Cecil, a member of the Tanjong Pagar Arbitration Commission, arrived by the ss. "Nubia" yesterday and paid several visits on shore. Sir Michael Hicks-Benham (who is to preside over the arbitration proceedings) and Lady Hicks-Benham and party were to have travelled by the same steamer, but the arrangement was cancelled at the last. On September 23rd the party left Tokyo for Kyoto. The British Minister and Lady MacDonald, Mr. Soeda, President of the Japan Credit Moller, Limited, and a number of other gentlemen saw the distinguished visitors off at the Shimabashi Station. On the way west Sir Michael will visit Kamakura and Enoshima.

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## CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

4th October.

THE CREONG PING HOK-TONO.

A few days ago Quen Taotai memorialized Viceroy Shum requesting His Excellency to appoint an officer to assist him in the performance of his duties as President of the Military College. The Viceroy has granted his request and Wong-Sing-Ling, an expectant prefect, has been appointed vice-president and superintendent of the above college.

## AN IMPOSTER.

Lau-Chew-Yeong, an expectant taotai, twice memorialized Viceroy Shum requesting His Excellency to grant him a personal interview. In his memorials he asked Viceroy Shum to give him a position, stating that he had already been employed by Viceroy Chang-Chih-Tung, who, said he, recognized him as a sensible official endowed with a profound knowledge and great experience. He also stated that he was recently secretary to the Kwang-si Governor, Li-King-Hi, who praised him very much, finding that he was a learned man, and advised him to seek employment in Kwang-tung where a large field was open to him to spread his knowledge. Viceroy Shum telephoned to Chang-Chih-Tung and Li-King-Hi to ascertain the truth of Lau's self-praising statements. Replies have now been received that this learned official is unknown to them. Lau-Chew-Yeong has consequently been arrested in a boarding-house in Wak-Ming-Lane and transferred to the Poo-ku prison pending his trial.

## DEATH OF A FRENCH MISSIONARY.

Rev. Father Goutagny passed away on Saturday last at the French mission-house, in the city, after a short illness. The Rev. Father was the oldest missionary in Kwangtung, having arrived in the fifties. The burial-service was held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Monday at 8 a.m., at which the acting French Consul, Mr. Solange-Teyssier, and the whole French community attended. The master of ceremonies was the Rev. Father Fourquet and the officiating priests, the Rev. Father Ferrand, assisted by the Rev. Fathers Milliet and Etienne. A requiem mass was also held this morning at the Roman Catholic chapel on the French concession, Shamneun.

## MORE BOMBES.

On the 3rd inst. a gang of robbers entered the Ngan Lou Kong village, near the North Gate of the city, and ransacked over twenty houses, carrying away booty to the value of over \$2,000. The robbers are still at large.

## DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

The Honourable Maresca, member of the Italian Parliament, came up with General Consul Volpicelli, Commander Belisito of the s.s. *Capri*, and Mr. F. P. Musca on a visit to Canton. The party arrived this morning by the s.s. *Keong-chow*, are to visit the sights of the city to-day, and will proceed later to Fat-shan and Sui-nan. On their return's banquet will be offered the distinguished visitors in the celebrated flower-boats. The official calls will be made to-morrow.

On the way up the river, as the vessel was approaching Boon-Tigris, a collision with a junk occurred. The Kwangtung has had a few of her bow-plates indented and the ship's bows at the bow was swept away. The bows wooden sword somehow or other flew back to the vessel's deck and was presented to the Honourable Maresca as a momento of the trip to Canton.

## A MATCH-MAKER IN TROUBLE.

In the vicinity of Tai-Ho-Ki, in the western suburbs, an artisan, who was living from hand to mouth, married a young widow. Shortly afterwards he disappeared without a word of warning to his wife.

Time passed and nothing was heard of him. His wife, thinking he had disappeared for good, asked an old woman and a young man who were living under the same roof on herself to find a suitable husband for her as she was willing to marry again. The match-makers soon arranged the matter and a wood-cutter was found who was willing to pay \$45 for her. The widow received \$20 and the remainder was divided between the old woman and the young man, the former receiving only five dollars as her share. The first husband, now turned up unexpectedly, and seemed much surprised to find that his wife had grown tired of waiting. The old woman, hearing of his return, and anxious to have her revenge for the meanness displayed towards her soon acquainted the husband of his wife's whereabouts and told him the whole story. The artisan found his wife in the Te-Po-Tai-lai and reported the matter to the magistrate, who decided that the wife should return to her first husband. This the artisan refused, saying that she had disgraced herself he would have her no more. The magistrate then decided that the match-money should be returned to him. Meanwhile the old woman has been locked-up and the young man ordered to be arrested. The latter, fearing trouble, has since disappeared.

## BOXER RHYMES AND JINGLES.

Attention has lately been drawn to a rhyme which is being much sung about Peking of late by the youths and children, and like popular refrains with us it is being learnt rapidly. There is apparently little meaning in it beyond the keeping alive of anticipations and expectations of another rising. The Peking police know its capacity for mischief evidently as we [Peking Times] hear they are taking steps to stop it. The rhyme runs—

Yik'o lu.  
Liang-k'o hui.  
Yi Ho Tuan.  
Hai yao lai.  
Yik'o hui.  
Liang-k'o lu.  
Ta ohia meo.  
Hai yao son.

One willow tree.  
Two ash trees.  
Yiho Boxers.  
Will come again.  
One ash tree.  
Two willow trees.  
All of us.  
Will run away again.

## DES VOEUX ROAD FIRE INQUIRY.

The inquiry concerning the recent fire in the Cheong Lee furniture store in Des Voeux Road was resumed yesterday afternoon before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, Mr. Looker again appearing on behalf of the Insurance Companies and Mr. R. A. Harding on behalf of the master of the business.

Cheng Shan Fung, accountant, examined by Mr. Harding, stated that he examined the books of the firm in the interests of the Insurance Company on 11th September and furnished his report on the 16th ult.

You have stated in your evidence that the books did not show any dates?—In the stock book.

Did you still state there were no dates in the arrival book?—There are dates.

Did you say there were no dates in the delivery book?—There were.

In what book are there no dates?—The stock book.

The stock book for last Chin-ku Year?—I don't know.

Will you refer to it?—It is dated this year.

In arriving at your estimate of the goods on the premises you referred to the stock book?—Yes.

And then did you add to the stock book the purchases that had been made?—I arrived at my figures according to the stock book.

In arriving at your estimate did you consider the goods purchased this year?—The stock book showed goods to the value of \$48,000 and the arrival book \$21,000 odd.

And the sale book?—\$21,300 odd.

They would balance?—Yes.

In that sale book you have not deducted a profit?—No.

Those sale prices include not only the sale price but the profit to the firm?—Yes.

You know the profit in this business is sometimes 40 per cent?—No.

What do you think it is?—I don't know.

If you take 30 per cent. as the profit of those prices you have given, there would be say \$7,000, additional worth of goods on the premises?—Yes.

On that calculation there would be only \$14,000 worth of goods sold instead of \$21,000.

Yes.

If you add that \$7,000 on to your estimate it would make the value of the goods \$55,000?

Yes.

The books do not give an exact description of each article?—No.

By the Bench—He accepted the Cheong Lee's estimate for blackwood furniture.

In making your inquiry at other firms you simply mentioned the description in the Cheong Lee's stock book?—Yes.

Sanitary Inspector Wooley said he visited 29 and 31 Des Voeux Road on 1st September. He visited the shop before that on August 26th. He went on the ground floors, first and second floors of both houses. He visited the premises in connection with the plague. He only went to the second floor of No. 31. The reason why he did not go to 29 was that it seemed in different occupation. He made a thorough inspection of the premises. On the two first floors there was not a large amount of furniture. There was plenty of space to put a lot more furniture. The actual furniture consisted of Vienna chairs, about 12 dozen. He did not see any blackwood there. He did not see anything particular in the way of finished work there. Apart from finished work, he saw a lot of packing stuff, stuff used for packing chairs and sofas. The place had a rough and ready appearance.

Can you form any idea of the value of the goods on both floors?—There might have been \$1,000 worth.

Evidence has been given that there were \$20,000 worth? Do you think that was possible?—I should say it was impossible.

You went to the second floor of 31?—Yes.

What was it used as?—Partly as a furniture shop and partly as a sleeping place.

Sanitary Inspector Reilie gave corroborative evidence.

Cross-examined by Mr. Harding—He did not go there to look at the furniture, but to see that the lime washing regulations had been carried out. There were a lot of goods on the ground floor and he noticed packing boxes on the second floor. He did not go to examine furniture, and could not see all the articles on the ground floor.

By Mr. Looker—The boxes to which I refer were those in which clothing would be kept.

Mr. George Lammert, auctioneer, appraiser, and surveyor, said he was well acquainted with the value of furniture in the colony. He had visited the ground floors of Nos. 29 and 31 Des Voeux Road on the 4th, 5th and 6th inst., and had inspected the condition of the goods on the ground floor. He had ascertained what was there when the fire took place and none had been consumed. He had made a careful inspection of those goods. His valuation of the goods in the front shops of the two houses was \$4,180. That was their value if they were perfectly sound. In making that value he allowed very high shop price, about 30 per cent above what they would cost. Some of them were covered with the debris from the first and second floors. There were very little goods left on the other two floors, but there were remnants of furniture. He examined the debris on the ground floor, but found no traces of electro plate. The debris was all building material. He would say that the first and second floors could not store \$50,000 worth of furniture. He examined the walls of the first and second floors but could find no traces of glass.

## THE BOMB AT PEKING.

By Mr. Harding—When he made his estimate he knew that goods were made on the premises. He made his valuation on the selling price—the price charged to any unsuspecting man who came into the shop not knowing anything about high prices.

The inquiry was adjourned till next week.

## POLICE COURT.

Friday, 6th October.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

Seven natives appeared to answer charges of failing to produce the licences for their respective cargo boats. Three who had their licences on shore were fined \$1 each, three who refused to produce theirs were fined \$2 each, and one who had none was fined \$5.

## A WEAK EXCUSE.

A coolie who had just arrived here from Anhwei was found by a policeman climbing a scaffolding, and when challenged explained that he was looking for a friend. As he had no money and was very scantily clad, he was charged as a rogue and a vagabond. The facts were presented by Inspector Collett, and his Worship committed him to prison for one month.

## FERTINACIOUS HAWKERS.

Five hawkers were summoned for going on board the s.s. *Glenage* without permission. It was stated that a larceny had been committed during the night, but it was not suggested that either of the defendants was responsible for it. Inspector Langley said that these people went on board with the ostensible object of hawking jewellery, clothing, etc. If they had nothing they would not be permitted to go on board. Defendants were fined 87 each or 14 days' imprisonment.

## ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Chen Ming and Chan Lai, the two boatmen charged with attempting to murder a lungkon in the discharge of his duty, were brought up on remand. They pleaded not guilty and were further remanded till Tuesday.

BEFORE MR. G. N. ORME (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A HEAVY PENALTY.

For being a member of a Triad Society, Ho San Yi was fined \$200, an additional penalty of \$50 being imposed for being in unlawful possession of a revolver.

## THE SINGAPORE DOCKS ARBITRATION.

The Singapore Free Press of Sept. 30 says—We are informed, on good authority, that the claim made by the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company against the Colonial Government amounts to the astounding figure of nine million pounds sterling! This stupendous sum will take the Colony's breath away, for it does not make the least pretence to stand in any intelligible relation whatever to the published accounts of the Company. It appears to be merely a glorification of the "ask price" of the Indian hawk, who swears by all his gods that he is a ruined man if he takes fifty rupees for what he eventually placidly surrenders for two rupees eight annas. When it comes to the Committee of the late Tanjong Pagar Dock Company putting a value upon what they are required to part with, they evidently "hear the East a-calling, and adopt the commercial tactics of the minor Asiatic dealers. If the shares of the Company, not a very long time ago, say, just after Mr. John Anderson made his famous speech, stood at about \$220 in the market, how is it that, without any further addition to the company's assets and in face of a policy of ourtanding expenditure and reducing establishments on the expropriation being decided upon, those same shares, on the "nine million sterling" basis, must to-day be worth, say, £250 each, or about two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars each at current rates of exchange?

This conundrum will have to be faced by those old Singaporeans and other holders who desire to sell so valiantly at the Colony's revenues and credit, to their own material advantage.

For any commercial share to rise eleven hundred per cent. in value in the comparatively short time indicated is, we should imagine, unprecedented. And in view of this colossal "nine million sterling" claim, we cannot help thinking that the *arriete* *peccata* in the minds of certain gentlemen who acclaimed the toast of the "Prosperity of the Colony and the Federated Malay States" at the last Straits Dinner, must have been of a curiously mixed order. The persons who were parties to the formulation of that magnificent nine million claim are to be congratulated on one thing at any rate,—their wonderful nerve.

THE IMPERIAL MUKDEN LIBRARY.

The following letter was addressed to the Times:

Sir.—It is to be hoped that, in the negotiations for peace which are now proceeding at Portmout, United States of America, provision will be made for the restoration to the Chinese of the Imperial Library of Mukden, of which for the last three or four years they have been bereft.

It will be remembered that when the Russians

occupied Mukden, with the ostensible object of preserving law and order during the "Boxer" outbreak, they seized the Imperial Library of that city, containing, as it does, books and MSS. of the greatest literary, historical, and antiquarian interest, more especially to the present Manchu Dynasty in China, with the intention of carrying it off to St. Petersburg.

But, the Siberian railway being then deeply engaged in transporting men and munitions of war into Manchuria, its destination was diverted to Vladivostok, where, if report speaks truly, it now remains.

As the library belongs to the Chinese, and as its contents are to them of the highest Imperial value, it would surely be only just and right that it should be now restored to its lawful owners.—I am, sir, your obedient servant,

ROBERT K. DOUGLAS.

September 1.

## INTERESTING JAPANESE RUMOUR.

The Japan Chronicle says—Within the last few years the Government has monopolized several industries, and there appears to be a tendency to extension in this direction. This has perhaps given rise to the report that the Government is considering the monopoly of the life insurance business in Japan. Such a rumour is in circulation, but until more definite news is to hand, it will hardly receive much credence.

THE CONSERVANCY OF THE HUANGPU.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 6th at 11.40 a.m. The barometer was falling quickly over Japan, and rising slowly over China.

A depression is moving Northwards to the South of Japan, and pressure is high to the N.E. of Japan.

Gradients are slight on the China coast and moderate monsoon is indicated in the Formosa Channel, and fresh monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast—Light or moderate N. winds; fair.

## THE BOMB AT PEKING.

The N.C. Daily News says—Happily the bomb thrown at the railway station at Peking at the moment fixed for the departure of the Commissioners who are going abroad to study Western institutions, failed of its main object. A few bystanders were killed, among them, it is thought, the perpetrator of the outrage himself, but the high officials for whom the bomb was designed have escaped with a few scratches and bruises. From these injuries they are recovering with all speed, and when they are healed the Commissioners will again set out on their journey, and this time, we hope, have a more fortunate start-off. The incident, deplorable in itself, which has delayed their departure has in the meantime had the one satisfactory result of focussing interest more completely than before on the expedition on which the Commissioners are bound, one of most momentous surely in the recent history of China.

There is no need to look elsewhere than to opposition to the idea of the Commissioners' journey abroad, to find an explanation of the attack made upon them. It was inevitable that other theories should be put forward, not excepting the utterly senseless and ridiculous one, that the outrage was planned in Japan, but H. E. Tuan Fang was undoubtedly correct when he telephoned to sympathetic envoys at Shanghai: "This outrage is the outcome of opposition to the establishment of a constitution, and is deeply to be regretted." Notwithstanding the successful adoption of western representative institutions in Japan, and the greater adaptability of the Chinese, the outer world has perhaps hardly taken seriously the proposal now being put forward for constitutional government in China. The suggestion is so opposed to all our inherited notions about China, with its lack of national cohesion, and the apathetic stability of its people, ground down by generation of corrupt and unscrupulous officials, that hesitation to believe in the coming of a totally different order of affairs is only to be expected. And yet for those who have taken the trouble to watch the signs, of the times there have not been wanting plenty of indications of the approaching change. Everywhere is noticeable the growth of a national sentiment, young as yet, but vigorous, the Boycott, now having a thing of the past.

The Boycott, now having a thing of the past, was a remarkable demonstration of the way in which men of the north and of the south, the coast and the interior, are learning to forget their provincial prejudices, and to make common cause. The series of demonstrations concerned with the fate of Manchuria at the beginning of the Russo-Japanese war was an earlier indication in the same direction. The attempt being made all over the empire to obtain Chinese control for the railways which are overspreading the land are signs of the springing up of a sense of national pride and independence. Only the other day it was announced that the Viceroy and Governors of provinces are to be summoned once a year to Peking to take part in deliberations to advise the central government. All these things are beginnings, and it is no more sanguine to suppose that they may and will lead to a reformed government for united China, than to believe in the possibility of a liberal constitution for Russia.

The people of the two Empires are, in fact, in much the same position. Ignorance among the masses of the population and apathy on the

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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THE Steamship

"EMPIRE," Captain Helms, will be despatched as above T.O.DAY, the 7th inst., at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &amp;c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Stewards of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2283]

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

THE CLUB LAUNCH will be at the QUEEN'S STATE WHARF TODAY, at 3:30 to take members and their friends to view the SCRATCH RACE.

E. W. CARPENTER, Hon. Sec. Boat Committee.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1905. [2295]

WANTED.

BY EXPORT and IMPORT FIRM Reliable PORTUGUESE CLERK. Good references required.

Apply to— P. H. Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1905. [2292]

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Hongkong, 7th October, 1905. [2293]

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Hongkong, 7th October, 1905. [2294]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. GEORGE P. LAMMERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

WEDNESDAY, the 18th OCTOBER, 1905, at 3:00 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

THE FOLLOWING:

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, namely—

All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid registered in the Land Office as SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 364. Area 760 square feet or thereabouts; terms 15 years and 924 years; Crown Rent \$17.70; together with the messuage thereto known as No. 142, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to S. W. TS'O, Solicitor for the Mortgagors, or to

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1905. [2295]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARQUEES AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"BENLEUCHT," Captain Reid, will be despatched as above on

MONDAY, the 9th October.

For Freight apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2286]

DAMPFSCHIFFS-VERBREDEI "UNION" ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT.

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THE Steamship

"ALBENGA," Captain Peterson, will be despatched for the above port, on MONDAY, the 9th October.

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2287]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING," Captain A. E. Hodges, will be despatched for the above ports, on TUESDAY, the 10th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARIAK &amp; CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2298]

NOTICE.

WE have this day REMOVED our

Office to 3rd Floor KING'S BUILDING, Connaught Road.

MEYER &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1905. [2256]

LESSONS IN FRENCH.

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B. R.

Care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1905. [1898]

BOTHEN MARY LODGE NO. 294.

A REGULAR MEETING of the

BOTHEN MARY LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on TUES-

DAY, the 10th October, at 6 for 5.30 P.M.

precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1905. [2277]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of

Members of the above Club will be held in the CITY HALL on SATURDAY, the 14th OCTOBER, 1905, at 12.15 P.M.

By Order.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1905. [2249]

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

GRAND PROMENADE

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TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY),

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Tickets can be obtained at the Volunteer Head

Quarters, near the Hongkong Club, or from the

Committee of the Hongkong Benevolent Society.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1905. [2285]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of "Daily Press" are on

sale daily at Mr. H. YAU'S FERRY

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Cash.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2289]

## INTIMATIONS

## SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,

Hongkong.

To the OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the

DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BY-LAWS (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building

within the Central Division of the City of Victoria and the Western Division of Kau-lung occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROU6140UT by the owner during the months of September and October.

N.B.—The word "through" used in this notice means that the houses should be lime-washed in respect of all the walls of each room and staircase—all outside partitions—stair casings and stair lings, all ceilings and the undersides of roofs; both in main buildings, offices and servants' quarters, and inclusive of verandahs.

The back yard should have its containing wall lime-washed up to the level of the first door.

Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be lime-washed but must be cleaned.

The Central Division of the City lies between Gilman Street and Pool Street on the East and Tank Lane and Cleverly Street on the West. Kau-lung is divided into the Eastern and Western Divisions by Robinson Road and a straight line drawn from the north and then through the Yau-nati service reservoir to the northern boundary of Kau-lung.

G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 1905. [2236]

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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1905. [2235]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions

to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (SATURDAY),

the 7th October, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his

SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,

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V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1905. [2283]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. GEORGE P. LAMMERT has

received instructions to sell by Public

Auction on

MONDAY, the 9th October, 1905, at 3 P.M.

at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street, the following

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situated at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, namely—

All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid, registered in the Land Office as Section A of Inland Lot 1,415. Area 1,967

square feet or thereabouts; term 99 years; Annual Crown Rent \$7.50; together with the messuage thereto known as No. 40, Caine Road, Victoria, aforesaid.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

JOHN N. STOKES &amp; MASTER,

Solicitors for the Mortgagors,

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GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1905. [2184]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE

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M. R. S. GILLANDERS

"GLENWOOD,"

27, CAINE ROAD.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1905. [2165]





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FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"CALCHAS"	On 11th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DECUGLION"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MENELAUS"	On 31st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PINGSEY"	On 29th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"HECTOR"	On 6th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"GLAUCUS"	On 14th November.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 7th October.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 15th October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 24th October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 7th November.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWO"	On 15th November.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 21st November.

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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA	"PINGSUEY"	On 31st October.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA	"CANFA"	On 30th November.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
PACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"KEEMUN" "MACHAON"	On 24th October. On 3rd November.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	On 9th October.
SWATOW, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG and TIENSIN	"KANSU"	On 10th October.
MANILA, AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO.	"TAMING" "SUNGKLANG"	On 10th October.
SHANGHAI, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOTOWN, CAIENE, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"LINAN" "CHINGTU"	On 12th October. On 16th October.

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SHAWMUT	9,996	E. V. Roberts	Saturday, October 19th
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TREMONT	9,006	T. W. Garlick	Friday, November 24th
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Saturday, December 9th
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS, HOMEWARD.  
Parcels for the United Kingdom via Gibraltar posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday, the 3rd of November are due in London about the 11th December, and those posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday, the 17th November are due in London on Christmas Morning.  
With an additional fee of 60 cents parcels may be forwarded via Brindisi and if posted before 5 p.m. on the 17th November would accompany the letter mail due in London on the 18th December. Parcels intended for New Year's delivery should also be forwarded by the mail of the 17th November, as the parcel mail of the 1st of December is not due in London till the 8th of January via Gibraltar and the 2nd January via Brindisi.

The rates of postage on ordinary parcels are as follows:—

For a parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight ..... 60 cents.

7 lbs. ..... 81.24

11 lbs. ..... 81.80

All parcels containing jewellery or any article of gold or silver must be insured, all insured parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a device or private mark. Coins must not be used for sealing purposes.

The China, with the American mail leaves Manila on Saturday, the 7th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 9th inst., at daylight.

The *Prinzess Alice* with the German mail of the 12th September left Singapore on Thursday, the 5th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 8th inst., at noon.

Mail for CANTON, SANSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8 a.m.

Mail for NAMAO, SANBEE, \*KONGMOON, \*KUMCHUK, \*SANSHUI, \*WUCHOW and \*CANTON are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Amoy, Straits and Rangoon	Gloucest.	Saturday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar	Tiuan	7th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Zetian	7th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin		Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.)		Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
(Extra Postage 10 cents.)		Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		10.45 A.M.

Macao		
Quang Chow Wan and Saigon		
Shanghai		
Shangha		
Singapore		
Amoy, Straits and Rangoon		
Kudat and Sandakan		
Yokohama and Kobe		
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Manila		

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Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang		
Cebu and Illes		
Singapore, Penang and Bombay		
Shanghai		
Manila		

TO-DAY.  
Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remond, 2.30 p.m.  
Grand Promenade Concert, Volunteer Parade Ground, 3.15 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

6th October.

ON LONDON—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/11
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/11
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/11
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/11
	Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/11

ON PARIS—	Bank Bills, on demand	244
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	240

ON GERMANY—	On demand	199
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ON NEW YORK—	Bank Bills, on demand	474
	Credits, 60 days' sight	48

ON GIBRALTAR—	Telegraphic Transfer	145
	Bank, on demand	145

ON CALCUTTA—	Telegraphic Transfer	145
	Bank, on demand	145

ON MELBOURNE—	Bank, on demand	714
	Bank, 30 days' sight	724

ON YOKOHAMA—	On demand	551
	On demand—Peso	551

ON MANILA—	On demand	9 p.m.
	On demand	1163

ON BATAVIA—	On demand	2 p.m.
	On demand	1 p.m.

ON HAIFOO—	On demand	Par
	On demand	Par

ON BANGKOK—	On demand	613
	Bank Buying Ratio	10.20

ON SINGAPORE—	Bank Buying Ratio	33.70
	Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	33.70

ON SILVER—	per oz.	284
	Barrels Old	1002

## OPIUM.

6th October.

Quotations are—Allow no. to 10 cents'.

Balwa New ..... \$1100 to — per picca.

Balwa Old ..... \$1200 to —

Malwa V. Old ..... \$1260 to —

Persian fine quality ..... \$1670 to —

Persian extra fine ..... \$1140 to —

Patna New ..... \$115 to — per cheart.

Patna Old ..... \$1047 to —

Banaras New ..... \$992 to —

Banaras Old ..... \$1092 to —

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *China* arrived at Manila at 9 a.m. on the 4th Oct., and is expected to sail Saturday morning, the 5th, when she will be expected to arrive at Hongkong early Monday morning, the 9th Oct.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The L.G.M. str. *Prinzess Alice* left Singapore on Thursday at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on Friday, the 9th Oct. at noon.

The I.G.M. str. *Bayern* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Sunday, p.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 10th Oct.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Monday, the 2nd Oct., p.m. for Hongkong in the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The *Ben Line* str. *Bondua*, from London and Antwerp, left Singapore on the 3rd Oct. for this port.

The *Hudswell* Line str. *Bantu*, from London and ports, left Singapore on the 3rd Oct. and is due here on the 9th Oct.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

## HONGKONG, 6th October.

## COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Alimbra ..... \$200 \$100.

Banks— ..... \$125 \$915.

Hongkong & Sh. ..... London, 494.

National B. of China

A. Shares ..... \$28 buyers

Hill's Asbestos E. A. ..... 12s. 4d. \$17. buyers

China Bazaar Co. ..... \$10 17s. sellers



NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES  
FROM ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP,  
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA."

Captain Schoenfeld, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from the Godowns.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding for discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th Oct. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th Oct., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1905. [2234]

STEAMSHIP "OCEANIAN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

THE Steamship

"CAPRI."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 11th instant will be subject to rent.

CARLOWITZ & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1905. [2275]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENT  
in CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line  
are prepared to issue "THROUGH BILL"  
OF LADING for all the principal ports in  
SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDIA  
CHINA STAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly  
service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailors from  
CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fort night  
For Freight and further particulars,  
apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.  
General Agents for China and Japan

Hongkong, 4th August, 1898.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"KINTUCK,"  
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being  
discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the  
Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both  
cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo  
will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown  
on and after the 7th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice  
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined at 11 A.M. on the 11th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods  
remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will  
be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be  
presented to the Undersigned on or before the  
11th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1905. [210]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"COROMANDEL,"  
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

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From Calcutta ex s.s. Samatra.

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and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
2 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst. at 4 P.M.  
will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-  
downs for examination by the Consignee's and  
the Company's representatives at an appointed  
hour. All Claims must be presented within  
ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after  
which date they cannot be recognised. No  
Claims will be admitted after the Goods have  
left the Godowns.

L. S. LEWIS,  
Acting Superintendent,  
Hongkong, 5th October, 1905. [21]

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"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "GHAZEE,"  
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL  
AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo hereby informed  
that all Goods are being landed at  
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,  
Limited, whence and/or from the wharves  
delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject  
to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th  
inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 9th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1905. [2275]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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